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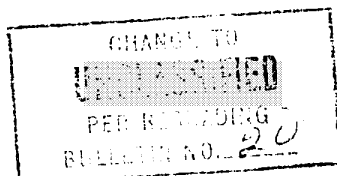
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## SUMMARY

Attention to the ideological life of the country is almost equally divided among such aspects of it as the friendship of peoples, with some emphasis on Russo-Ukrainian relations, the treatment of Marxism-Leninism in universities and the application of that theory in the arts and sciences. The Institute of Literature of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences, frequently attacked in the past for its implicit de-emphasis of the superiority of the Great Russians and their literature, is now accused of remaining adamant in its attitude toward "the beneficial influence" of the Muscovites. Nor is the propaganda of the friendship theme maintained as it should be by a section of the Ukrainian press.

Some trouble in physiological sciences is implicitly admitted in Academician Biryukov's disclosure that certain noted scientists who had been purged and subsequently reinstated have not succeeded in wholly convincing the powers that be that they have really mended their "theoretical errors." A comparatively mild controversy still appears to revolve around the Pavlov theory which is reportedly not fully subscribed to by all scientists.

The familiar "no-conflict theory" (teoria bezkonfliktnosti) often resorted to by Soviet artist and writers as a hedge against possible criticism, ostracism or worse, is again referred to as a persistent "harmful manifestation" to be done away with at all costs if art and literature are to be raised above the level of mediocrity. Repeated also is the appeal to this section of the intelligentsia to shake off the old habit of portraying Soviet life as "completely harmonious," a description that belies the concept of socialist realism.

Materials on the current reorganization of the Georgian SSR Government reveal that it was preceded by an hitherto unpublicized purge of the local Party and State machinery. One of the casualties is Party boss Mgeladze who seldom missed an opportunity to denounce the "vicious practices" (porochnaya praktika) of the Georgian Party's Central Committee with whose disappearance in 1951 he presumably had something to do. Unlike the previous shake-up, however, this purge gets moderate publicity and is discussed in the context of national hostility, a "policy" said to have been pursued by some top officials including the Republic's state security chief Rukhadze. The latter, just like his counterpart in the "doctor's plot" Ryumin, is accused of having arrested innocent people on trumped-up charges with the avowed aim of creating national antagonism and tension. Mention is made also of "intimidation and beating" (zapugivanie i izbitie) employed by the security authorities for the purpose of extracting confessions.

What remains enigmatic in the Rukhadze case is that, according to a broadcast from Tbilisi, he was expelled from the Party for unstated reasons in June 1952, that is long before the arrest of the "poisoner-doctors" in Moscow was made public. Nothing had been heard of him or his malfeasance until shortly after the exposure of Ryumin in similar crimes. Mgeladze who is now linked with him in the "antistate activities" had apparently remained in his post of first Secretary of the Party until his "release" a few days before the Republican Party meeting.

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